

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
OF THE BRISTOL COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY**

**Monday, March 14, 2016
450 Child Street, Boardroom, Warren, RI**

Pursuant to proper notice, the Special Board Meeting of the Bristol County Water Authority was called to order by Chairman Klepper at 6:00 pm, 450 Child Street, Boardroom, Warren, Rhode Island.

Executive Director Pamela Marchand, Legal Counsel Joseph Keough and the following Directors were in attendance at the commencement of the meeting:

Paul Bishop, William Gosselin, Joel Hellmann, John Jannitto, Allan Klepper, Bradford Louison, Raymond Palmieri, Sr., Frank Sylvia

Directors Absent: Georgina Macdonald

1. Executive Session RIGL 42-46.5(a)(2) – Potential Litigation – Metacom Avenue Main Replacement Contract

Chairman Klepper stated that the Board would be going into Executive Session.

Director Hellmann made the following motion seconded by Director Palmieri

MOTION: To enter into Executive Session – RIGL 42-46.5(a)(2) – Potential Litigation – Metacom Avenue Main Replacement Contract

Motion passed unanimously.

The Board entered Executive Session at 6:03 pm.

The Board returned to open session at 6:10 pm.

Director Hellmann made the following motion seconded by Director Jannitto

MOTION: To seal the Executive Session minutes.

Motion passed unanimously.

Legal Counsel J. Keough stated BCWA had received a letter from Attorney Leoni on behalf of D’Ercole Construction requesting to address the Board on a bid award on a main replacement project.

Attorney Leoni commented on D’Ercole’s bid vs. D’Ambra – safety issues, OSHA violations, unbalanced bid items, quality and timeliness of work. Pare Engineering reviewed the bid but did not report all of D’Ercole’s references. Attorney Leoni asked the Board to reconsider the bid.

Executive Director P. Marchand stated that a previous job D’Ercole did for BCWA; D’Ercole did not follow their schedule for completion of the job, extended the timeframe of the job. The job was completed 41 days after the scheduled date.

Legal Counsel J. Keough stated that BCWA reserves the right to reject a bid, in what is in the best interest the BCWA.

Chairman Klepper asked if the Board wanted to reconsider the motion of award the bid to D’Ambra. There was no motion.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Director Hellmann made the following motion seconded by Director Gosselin

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Raymond Palmieri, Sr.
Secretary